

Local Public Question/Referendum Process*
for bond issue or lease rental with a preliminary determination after July 1, 2008.

The local public question/referendum process only applies to the following controlled projects:

- A school building for academic instruction of any combination of grades K-8 that will cost more than \$10,000,000.

- A school building for academic instruction of any combination of grades 9-12 that will cost more than \$20,000,000.

- Any other controlled project that will cost more than the lesser of \$12,000,000 or an amount equal to 1 percent of the total gross AV of property within the political subdivision on the last assessment date (\$1 million minimum).

IC 6-1.1-20-3.5(a)(1)

*Taxing units with appointed boards, such as libraries, must first receive approval of city, town or county fiscal body (whichever is applicable) before issuance of bond or lease rental agreements.

The city, town or county fiscal body approval would occur prior to the preliminary determination hearing in these cases.

IC 6-1.1-17-20.5

**Forms are available at the county voter registration office.

***If a primary, general or municipal election will not be held in the 6 month period after the county auditor certifies the public question, it will be placed on the ballot at a special election to be held between 90 and 120 days after the public question is certified.

In a year when a general or municipal election is held, the public question may be placed on the ballot at a special election only if the fiscal body of the political subdivision that requests the special election agrees to pay the costs of holding the special election.

In a year when a general or municipal election is not held, the fiscal body is not required to pay the costs of holding the special election.

The county election board must publish notice one time, at least 10 days before the date of the special election. The special election is under the direction of the county election board, which must take all steps necessary to carry out the special election.

IC 6-1.1-20-3.6(d)
IC 5-3-1-2(c)

